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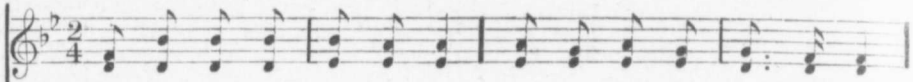
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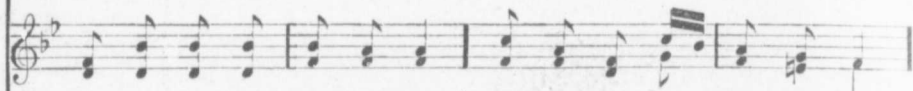
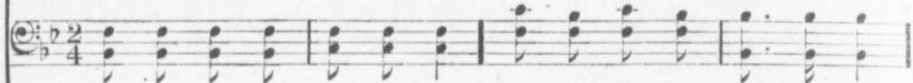
CAN A LITTLE CHILD LIKE ME

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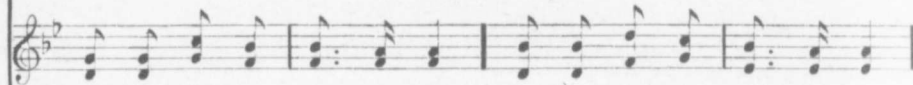
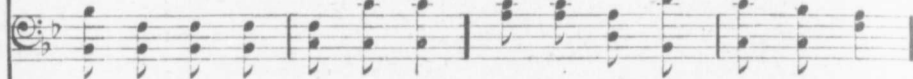
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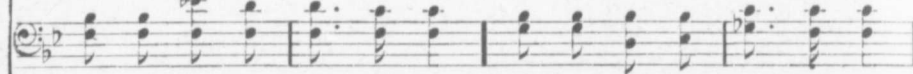
1. Can a lit - tle child, like me, Thank the Fa - ther fit - ting - ly?
2. For the fruit up - on the tree, For the birds that sing of thee,
3. For our com - rades and our plays, And our hap - py hol - i - days;



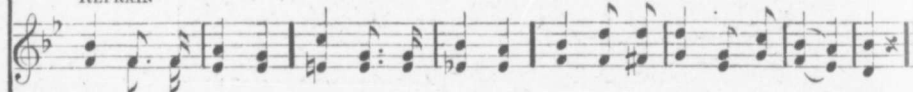
Yes, oh, yes! be good and true, Pa - tient, kind in all you do:
 For the earth in beau - ty dressed, Fa - ther, moth - er, and the rest;
 For the joy - ful work and true That a lit - tle child may do;



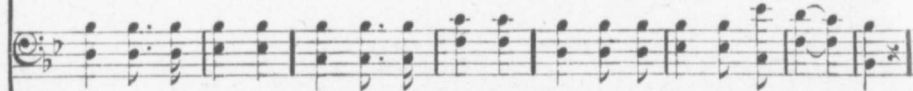
Love the Lord, and do your part; Learn to say with all your heart:
 For thy pre - cious, lov - ing care, For thy boun - ty ev - ery - where—
 For our lives but just be - gun; For the great gift of thy Son—



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A Letter to the Pupil



DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS:

This is such a busy, happy time of the year! It is like a Christmas stocking just crammed full of gifts. First are the Sunday-school lessons with the wonderful stories of Jesus and his helpers; then Thanksgiving and Christmas. Here is a little motto for this quarter to help you to enjoy all these good things:

May I be like a little star
And each day try to shine
So that the loving Saviour's life
May shine again in mine.

Your loving friends,

The Editors

JOHN AND PETER BECOME DISCIPLES OF JESUS

John 1: 29-42

One day a great crowd of people had gathered for a preaching service. They were not in a church, but on the steep bank of a winding river, the Jordan. The minister did not wear a black coat as your minister does. He wore a loose



garment made of the skins of wild animals. He told the people of a wonderful Saviour, who was to be sent by the Father in heaven to

teach them how to live; he said that if they trusted and believed this Saviour, they should live in the heavenly home with him some day.

As they stood beside the river that day, John the Baptist (for that was his name) suddenly pointed to a Man that was coming and said, "Behold the Lamb of God." He spoke with such joy and love in his voice and face that the friends to whom he was talking knew that the Man was the Saviour.

Andrew and John, two of those who heard John the Baptist, walked along behind Jesus, and by and by he turned and began to talk with them. They stayed with Jesus that day, and went home with him. Wise men, called the prophets, had thousands of years before told about this Saviour who was to come, and you can imagine how John and Andrew felt when they knew that they were really seeing

and hearing this holy One. It was the most wonderful thing that had ever happened to them.

Andrew hurried away to tell his brother Simon Peter. (I think when they were little boys they must have been the kind that always shared their good things and their good times, don't you?) Simon Peter came back with Andrew, and he and his brother and John decided to stay with Jesus and be his helpers, or disciples. So after that day they went with him, doing whatever he told them to do.

In all the stories that we have about the preaching and teaching of Jesus, we find over and over the names of Peter and John.

Jesus had to have helpers or he could not have done the work that the heavenly Father had sent him to do. These helpers taught other people the things that he taught them. To-day Jesus needs us to tell others about him.



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

“Jesus . . . saith unto him, Follow me.”

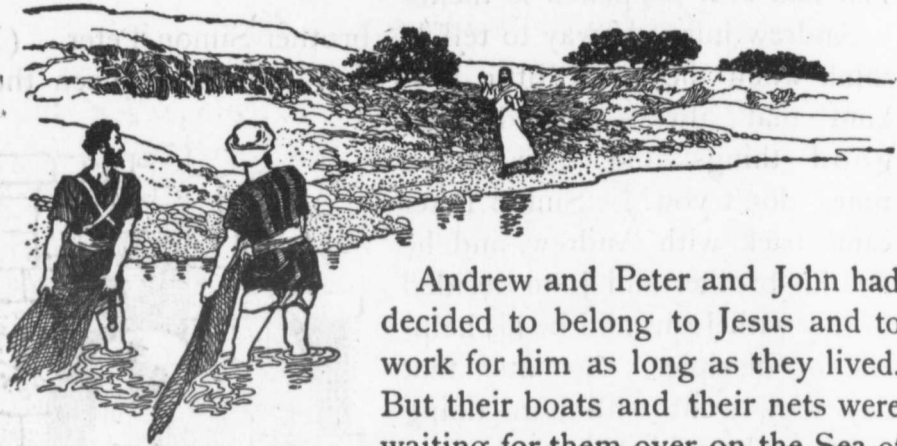
—John 1 : 43.

“Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.”

—John 15 : 14.

FISHERS OF MEN

Mark 1: 14-20

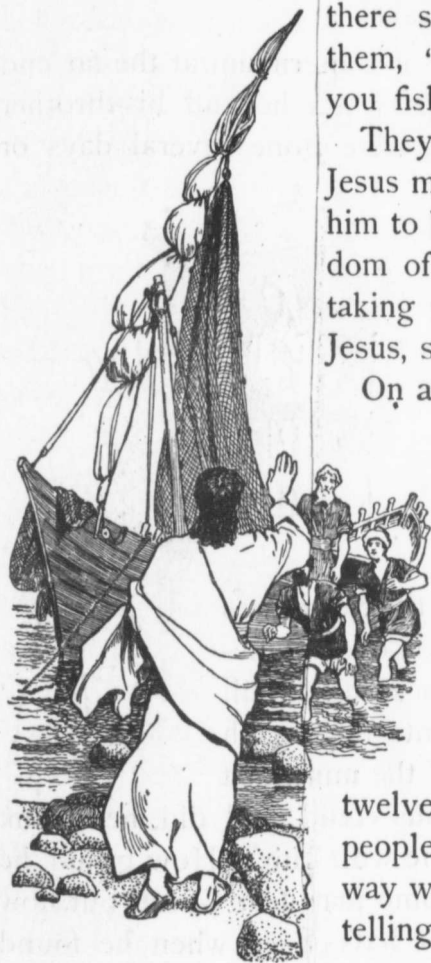


Andrew and Peter and John had decided to belong to Jesus and to work for him as long as they lived. But their boats and their nets were waiting for them over on the Sea of Galilee and after a few days they left Jesus and went back to their work. We may be sure that, just so far as they could, they gathered their friends together and told them all the things that Jesus had told them.

Even to-day the fishermen are very important people in that country, for many depend upon the fish for food. Peter and John knew just how to let down the great net into the water, and how to draw it carefully out when at last it was full of fish. They had to be very patient, for the Bible tells us that sometimes they fished all night and did not catch anything.

After Peter and Andrew and John went home, Jesus did some very wonderful things, and more and more each day he needed helpers. There were no trains in those days to carry letters, so his three friends did not know that day by day in his preaching and teaching he was coming nearer to them, until one day as Andrew and Peter sat in their boat

they heard Some One calling them from the shore. And there stood Jesus himself, calling to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."



They understood very well what Jesus meant. He wanted them to help him to bring the world into the Kingdom of heaven just as they had been taking fish in their nets. They loved Jesus, so they went with him.

On along the shore they walked until they saw out in the sea another boat where John and his brother James were mending their nets. Jesus called to them as he had called to Andrew and Peter.

These four became Jesus' helpers, or disciples, and soon more came until there were twelve. Day by day they brought people to Jesus. And that is still the way we bring people to him—just by telling them about him.

TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men."

—Mark 1:17.

"He brought him unto Jesus."

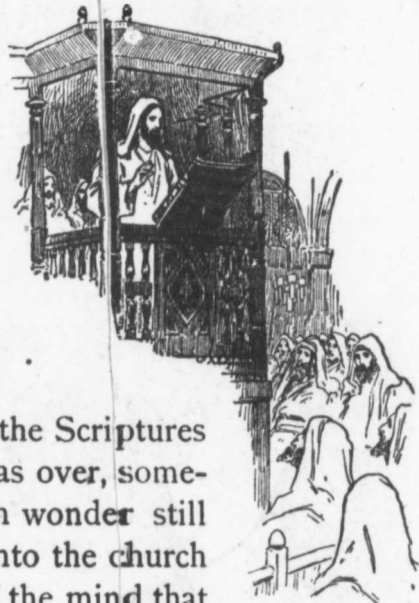
—John 1:42.

JESUS IN PETER'S HOME

Mark 1:29-39

Peter's home was in the city of Capernaum at the far end of the Sea of Galilee. Perhaps when he and his brother Andrew went away to fish they were gone several days or even weeks at a time, so it may be that he did not know the trouble that was in his own home on that first Sabbath morning after he had left his boat to go with Jesus. Together they went into the Jewish church or "synagogue" and Jesus preached. The people listened in wonder, for never had they heard anyone explain the Scriptures as he did. When the sermon was over, something happened that made them wonder still more. A poor man had come into the church who had some terrible disease of the mind that doctors could not cure, but Jesus could, and did, heal him.

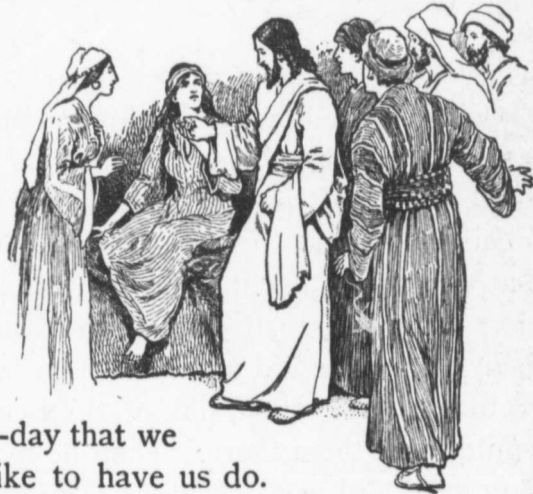
Peter asked Jesus to go home with him. How proud he must have been to be taking home that dear Guest, but how surprised and troubled he must have been when he found that his wife's mother was very ill with a fever. Surely that was not the time to have company! But Jesus was not the kind who ever added to anyone's troubles. He always took away the trouble instead. So in Peter's house he quietly walked into the room where the sick woman lay and took her by the hand. Then quite suddenly she was well. Jesus



had healed her! Everyone must have been very happy, and soon she was busy helping to serve the dinner.

As soon as the sun went down, the people who had heard what Jesus did in the synagogue began bringing all their sick friends to him to be cured. Jesus gladly healed them all. Perhaps it was very late at night when the last people went away, and all of the people in Peter's house must have been very tired; but surely they were very happy, too, for what a beautiful day it had been! In the morning there had been sickness and trouble, and then Jesus came and brought health and happiness.

Early the next morning Jesus went away to a quiet place where he could pray to the heavenly Father. Jesus often talked with our heavenly Father, and he always went to God's house on the Sabbath Day: These are two ways in which every boy and girl can be like Jesus. Let us try not to do anything to-day that we think Jesus would not like to have us do.



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

“Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house.”

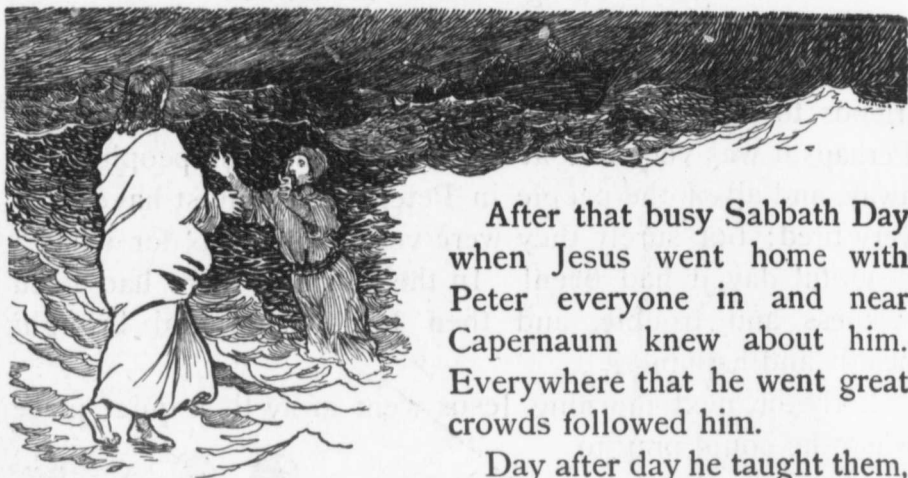
—Luke 19:9.

“Jesus of Nazareth . . . who went about doing good.”

—Acts 10:38.

A LESSON IN TRUST

Matthew 14: 22-33



After that busy Sabbath Day when Jesus went home with Peter everyone in and near Capernaum knew about him. Everywhere that he went great crowds followed him.

Day after day he taught them, telling the stories that we read in the Bible to-day, and showing them how to be loving and kind and ready for a home in heaven when this life was over. One day he fed a great crowd of people by blessing some little flat cakes of bread and some tiny, dried fish—you know the story—until that very small lunch grew into enough food for all the people. They were so excited that they wanted to make him their king. He did not want this, so he told his disciples to go over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee and that he would meet them there. Then he himself slipped away from the crowd and went off alone to pray.

The disciples did not want to leave Jesus, but they obeyed him and rowed away in their boat across the quiet water. Night came on, and there was a dreadful storm. They were far away from the shore, and there was no one to help them.

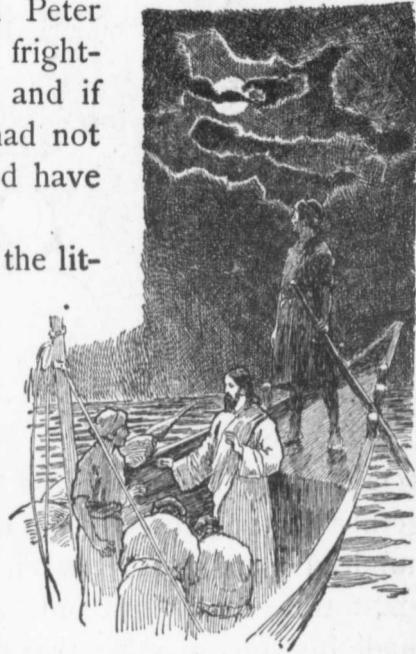
Suddenly some one in the boat cried out in new fright, for there, coming toward them across the great, dashing waves,

was something white. We know that there is no such thing as a ghost, but in that country at that time the people believed that there were ghosts, so they were more afraid of that strange white something than they were of the storm. But a voice they knew called, "It is I; be not afraid." And they saw then that it was Jesus.

Peter asked Jesus to let him walk out on the water to meet him. Jesus said, "Come," and Peter started bravely. But the wind frightened him and he began to sink, and if Jesus had not been near and had not caught him by the hand, he would have gone down into the sea.

When they stepped back into the little boat the storm stopped. Jesus had made the dashing waves quiet just as he had made sickness and trouble go away. He was not an earthly king, but he was the great heavenly King, with power to rule over everything in all the world.

Away out there on the dark and stormy sea Jesus had seen his friends and had come to help them. And always, wherever we are, he will see us.



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"I believe; help thou mine unbelief."

—Mark 9 : 24.

"Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid."

—Matthew 14 : 27.

TEMPERANCE LESSON

(World's Temperance Sunday)

Jeremiah 35:1-8, 12-14a, 18, 19



Though it seems as if our lesson to-day were far away from our story about Peter and John, we are having an old story that they had heard many times, although it happened a long time before they lived.

Jeremiah was a prophet, one through whom God sent messages for the people. Jeremiah was a great and wise man—greater even than the king, in

many ways. One day God told him that he was to call together all the people of the tribe called the Rechabites. Two hundred years before, when this great tribe had not been a great tribe at all but only a family, the father, Jonadab, had made his sons promise that they would never drink any wine—they nor their children. So year after year, as the children grew up and had children of their own, they were told about the promise.

You can imagine how astonished the Rechabites were when one day the prophet Jeremiah sent for them to come to one of the great rooms of the beautiful Temple, and set before them bowls of wine, and commanded them to drink. This was the

message that God had sent to Jeremiah. Surely the Rechabite men must have been greatly puzzled! They wanted to obey the prophet, but they had promised never to drink any wine. They said so very firmly and positively.

God and Jeremiah were not angry. No, indeed. It had only been God's test to prove just how brave and strong and true they were. And because they dared to keep their promise he commanded that forever the Rechabites should have a place of honor in his service.

MY BODY

God gave me my body to use while I live;
I'll thank him for it by the good care I give.
The good food I eat, and the water I drink,
The warm clothes I wear, and the nice thoughts I think,
Will help make my body grow useful and strong,
And make my life happy and helpful and long.



TWO BIBLE VERSES TO LEARN

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

—I Corinthians 10:31.

"They said, We will drink no wine."

—Jeremiah 35:6.

PETER'S GREAT CONFSSION

Matthew 16:13-24



After that stormy night when Jesus came walking over the terrible waves to the frail little boat where Peter and John and the other disciples were, many wonderful things had happened. All over the country people were talking of Jesus and telling of the things which he had done.

Jesus knew that the disciples heard these things, so one day he asked them about what the people were saying. Then he asked, "But whom say ye that I am?" It was Peter who quickly answered for himself and the rest, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." No matter what others might say, they knew who he was.

Peter and John and the other disciples were not the only people who were perfectly sure about Jesus. In the city of Capernaum lived a rich nobleman whose little boy was very, very ill with a fever such as many in that country still have.

Word had come that Jesus was in the city of Cana, not many miles away, and the nobleman hurried off to beg him to come and heal his boy.

When at last the nobleman found Jesus he told him about the sick boy and said, "Sir, come down ere my child die."

Jesus answered, "Go thy way; thy son liveth." I think most men would have said: "How do you know my son lives? You do not know what is happening away off there in Capernaum." But the nobleman did not say that. He knew that whatever Jesus said was true, and he hurried away.

Long before the nobleman reached home his servants came to meet him with the joyful news that the fever was gone and the boy getting well. "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him," they said. And that was the very hour when Jesus had said, "Thy son liveth."

Can you learn to say our Memory Verses as well as the children in the picture have learned to say them? They are confessing Christ, too.



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

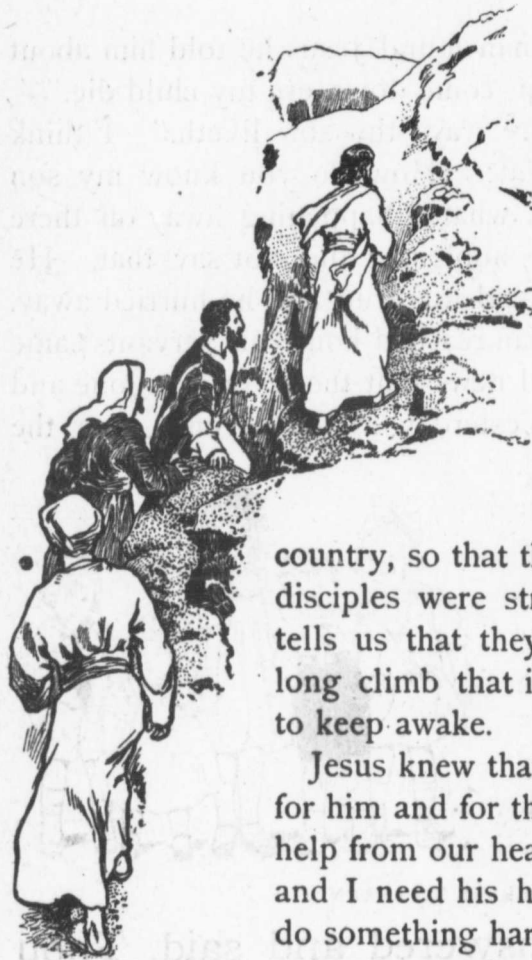
—Matthew 16: 16.

"The man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way."

—John 4: 50.

WITNESSES OF CHRIST'S GLORY

Luke 9:28-36



Jesus often went away from the crowds of people who followed him, in order to pray in a quiet place. Sometimes he sent even the disciples away, but to-day's lesson tells us about a time when he took Peter, James, and John with him. They went up to the top of the highest mountain in all that

country, so that they might be alone. The disciples were strong men, but the Bible tells us that they were so tired after their long climb that it was very hard for them to keep awake.

Jesus knew that hard days were coming for him and for them, and that they needed help from our heavenly Father, just as you and I need his help when we are going to do something hard.

Jesus prayed, and as he talked, a strange and wonderful light shone all about him—a light more beautiful and wonderful than anything we can imagine. Beside Jesus in the shining light stood two men. Although the disciples had never seen these men, who had lived many,

many years before, they knew that they were Moses and Elijah. Moses and Elijah had come from heaven and were talking to Jesus about what was going to happen to him. He was soon to go back to the heavenly home.

Peter did not think about the wicked people and the sick people in the world. He thought only how pleasant it would be to stay on the mountain with the heavenly ones. He asked Jesus if they could not stay there. But the answer came from God, himself. Softly a great, shining cloud settled upon the mountain top, and the disciples fell down on their faces and dared not look. Out of the cloud came a voice saying, "This is my beloved Son: hear him."

Soon Jesus touched the disciples and told them not to fear. When they looked up, Moses and Elijah and the cloud were gone. Jesus had given them work to do in the world. God had said, "Hear him"; so Peter and James and John went back down the mountain to "shine for Jesus" in the world.

"Jesus bids us shine
 With a pure, clear light,
 Like a little candle,
 Burning in the night;
 In the world of darkness,
 So we must shine,
 You in your small corner,
 And I in mine."



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"This is my beloved Son: hear him."

—Mark 9:7.

"His face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light."

—Matthew 17:2.

JESUS CORRECTS JOHN'S NARROWNESS

Mark 9: 33-42; 10: 13-16; Luke 9: 46-56



Jesus was going to Jerusalem, and he knew that there he was to give up his life. His disciples were sad and troubled about it, but they were going with him; and as they went they were preaching and teaching and healing. Their way led through Samaria, and on the day of our story, James and John had gone on ahead to the next town to have food and a stopping place ready for Jesus and the other

disciples when they should come. But for years and years the Jews and the Samaritans had been unfriendly, so the people of this town said that since Jesus and his friends were Jews they could not stop there.

Oh, how grieved and angry James and John were! To think that the Samaritans would treat Jesus like that when he was going there only to heal their sick people and to tell them about the love of our heavenly Father!

"Shall we pray to God to send down a storm of fire and destroy that wicked town?" James and John asked. But Jesus had a very different plan of showing the Samaritans how Christians should act. He was sorry that he must go away without helping and blessing them, but he explained to

his disciples that he had not come to earth to take away men's lives. He had come to save lives. He had come to show love and kindness even to those who were unkind to him. So they all went quietly away to the next place, where the people were glad to have them. And I like to think that perhaps some of those Samaritan people followed Jesus to the next town when they saw how patient and good he was.

Wherever Jesus went the crowds pressed about him all day long, but he was always patient and kind and loving, no matter how tired he was.

One day the disciples saw among the crowd some mothers who had brought their children for Jesus to bless. There were sick people to be healed; there were wise men with important questions to ask; surely Jesus ought not to be bothered with little children! So the disciples were sending the mothers away when Jesus heard and called them back, saying the words of this verse that children all over the world now love: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not."



And Jesus took the children in his arms and blessed them.

A VERSE TO LEARN

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."

—Ephesians 6 : 24.

JESUS TEACHES PETER TRUE GREATNESS

John 13:1-16, 36-38

The journey to Jerusalem was over at last, and now Jesus and his disciples were in that wonderful old city. They were in a large room where they had eaten supper together. Jesus had kept telling the disciples that the end of his life was very near, but they could not believe it. They had seen the



wonderful things that he did in every town and village, and they knew that Jesus was truly the wonderful Saviour for whom the world had been looking.

Perhaps the disciples were thinking of this very

thing when Jesus quietly stood up and took a long towel and a basin and a pitcher of water and began to wash their feet. In that country, where the people wore sandals instead of shoes, a servant usually washed the feet of each person who came in, so when Jesus came to Peter and knelt down to wash his feet, Peter would not allow it at all. The holy Saviour should not be his servant.

But in his own quiet way Jesus told them that he had a reason for doing just what he did, so Peter and all the others allowed him to wash their feet. Then Jesus sat down and talked to them. He was going away to heaven very soon, and they must carry on his work in the world. To be his

true followers they must be willing to do anything and everything for one another, even though sometimes it was the work of the very lowest slave. If the holiest, best, and highest Man that had ever lived was so ready to do the little things for others, surely they ought to be.

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Margaret was given a part in the Sunday-school entertainment, but she whispered to Bessie: "I don't want that. It isn't nearly so nice as Helen's part." Bobby had no part at all, but he stood in front and sang so well that the singing was the very nicest thing about the whole evening. And Jesus and Bobby's teacher were the only ones that knew he was trying to be like Jesus.



SOME VERSES TO SAY

"The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many."

—Matthew 20 : 28.

"I have given you an example."

—John 13 : 15.

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

—John 13 : 34.

PETER AND JOHN ASLEEP IN GETHSEMANE

Mark 14: 32-54

After the Supper that Jesus and his disciples ate together in Jerusalem when he took the place of a servant and washed their feet, they walked out into the quiet moonlight. Through the city streets they went, on out to a beautiful garden on the side of the mountain, called the Garden of Gethsemane.



Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him into this Garden to pray.

Jesus left the disciples and walked on a little way to pray alone. The next day was to be the saddest and most terrible of all his life. He needed strength from the heavenly Father. When his prayer was ended he went

back to his three friends—but they were asleep. When you are ill, and mother stays up all night with you, she does not go to sleep, because you need her and she loves you; and it seems as if Peter, James, and John should have been like that.

Jesus was disappointed and sorry, but he excused the disciples, for he knew how tired they were. Twice again Jesus went away to pray, and each time when he came back the disciples were asleep. They did not see the angel that came to Jesus to comfort and strengthen him. When Jesus came back for the third time he told them that they might sleep on, now. He did not need them any longer, for, coming from

the city with their shields and spears and flaming torches were the soldiers, to take him away.

Peter had been so sure that he would be willing to give his life for Jesus. He had said so only a few hours ago, but now he and the other disciples were so afraid that they ran away in the darkness and left Jesus alone with the rough soldiers.

"Watch ye and pray" was what Jesus had said to his disciples in the Garden, for he knew how much they would need courage. But they had not been watching with him and had not been praying.

I wonder if Jesus ever chooses us for any work of love that we neglect or forget? Let us have the eyes of our minds very wide open to-day to see the places in Sunday school that Jesus needs our help. When we go home we shall need to be wide-awake, too, or we may miss some of the ways to help mother or father.

"Lord Jesus, may I always be
Tender and kind of heart like thee;
If any suffer or are sad,
Help me to try and make them glad."



TWO VERSES TO LEARN

"Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation."

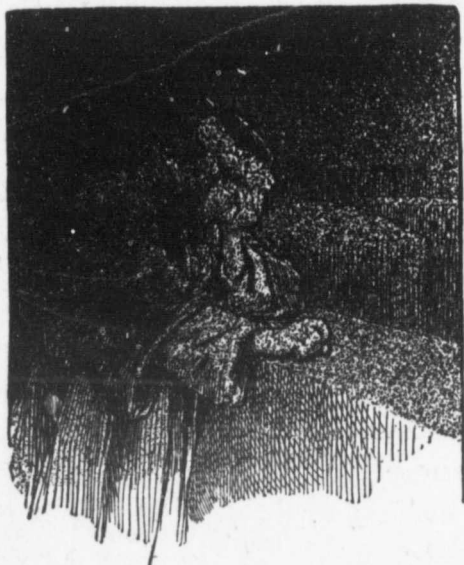
—Mark 14 : 38.

"There appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him."

—Luke 22 : 43.

AT THE TRIAL AND CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS

John 18:15-27; 19:25-27



When the soldiers took Jesus away from the quiet Garden of Gethsemane to the palace of the high priest, Peter and John followed them. What happened there seems like some dreadful dream, for the soldiers were very cruel to the gentle Lord Jesus. Peter had been very sure that nothing could make him untrue to Jesus, yet in that palace with the rough soldiers near,

he three times said that he did not know Jesus. Then Peter heard the crowing of a cock (because morning was coming) and he remembered that Jesus had said, "Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice." He went outside the palace and "wept bitterly," and from that minute Peter became one of the bravest, noblest friends of Jesus that ever lived.

At last Jesus was taken out and nailed to a tall, wooden cross to die. It was a sad, sad day for Peter and John and the other friends who sorrowfully followed and stood watching. Jesus' mother stood beside John, and when Jesus looked down from his cross and saw her there he asked John to be her son in his place, and from that time John loved her and cared for her as if she had been his own mother.

So the kind, loving Jesus died, and the poor, hurt body was taken down

from the cross and put into a new, rocky tomb on the hillside. A stone was rolled against the door, and soldiers guarded it.

Early on Easter morning, Mary Magdelene went to the tomb, but the great stone was rolled away, and the grave was empty. In great trouble she hurried to tell Peter and John, and they both ran as quickly as they could to the tomb. But one when Mary looked into the tomb again she saw two shining angels, and, a little later, she saw Jesus himself.

Jesus had risen from the dead, and for forty days he went about among his disciples and friends. Then Jesus went back to heaven, and although Peter and John missed him they were not sad, for they knew that he was living with the Father.

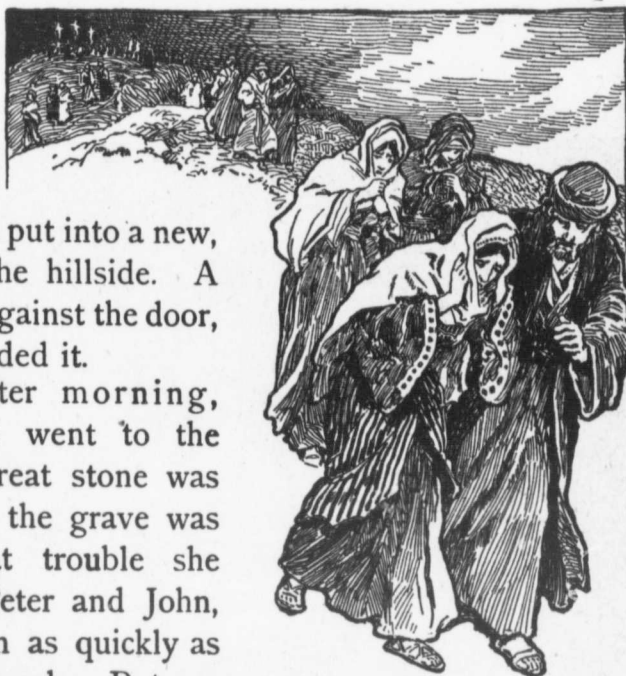
TWO VERSES TO LEARN

“God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

—John 3 : 16.

“He loved us, and sent his Son.”

—I John 4 : 10.



THE PRINCE OF PEACE

(Christmas Lesson)

Isaiah 11:1-10; Matthew 2:1-12; Luke 2:8-14



It was Christmas Day, and the children were excited and happy. "But what a very large family," you would have said, for there were more children than in the largest Sunday school you ever saw. And not one of them had father or mother living, for they were little Armenian children; and because people in Canada had sent money to save them they had been brought to a home called an orphanage. Before the terrible war times, many of the children had had beautiful homes and dainty clothing; but for many months they had wandered about, ragged and hungry, sleeping in the street or by the roadside. How wonderful the orphanage seemed, where they could have a real bath, and some clean clothes and some bread and rice. Do you think that is a

poor Christmas dinner? If you were starving, it would seem the most wonderful dinner in the world.

In the orphanage the children heard again the Christmas story of the baby Jesus who was born in the stable at Bethlehem, because in the crowded town there was no other room for his mother Mary, and Joseph, her husband. They heard how the angels sang, "On earth peace, good will toward men," and how the shepherds found the baby King. They heard about the Wise Men who followed a wonderful star, and brought costly gifts to the little Christ-child.

When the angel told Joseph what the baby's name was to be, he said, "He shall save his people," and those who love Jesus are "his people," whether they live in Armenia or in Canada.

Would there be any Christmas in the orphanage? Only such a little money to feed and clothe so many! Some one with a great deal of love in his heart had sent a little gift for every child, and oh, how surprised and delighted those children were! How they thanked the heavenly Father for the orphanage, and what loving thoughts they sent to Canada.

But the orphanages cannot care for the boys and girls unless the money is sent. So let us each worship our King to-day by giving as our gift to Jesus our promise to help his children in Armenia.

A VERSE TO LEARN

"Thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins."

—Matthew 1:21.

A STAR VERSE

"We have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him."

—Matthew 2:2.

REVIEW: THE TRAINING OF PETER AND JOHN

Selection for Reading: I John 1:1-9



For three months we have been learning about two of Jesus' dearest friends, Peter and John. To-day we are to see how much we can remember about them, and we are going to see what kinds of memory pictures we have of them.

The first memory picture will be this: Think of a great many people listening to John the Baptist beside a river. Then tell how Jesus came to know John and Peter.

Think of two boats on the Sea of Galilee in which fishermen were busy. Who were two of these men, and why did they leave their boats that day?

What happened one Sabbath Day when Jesus and some of the disciples ate dinner at Peter's house?

Think of a boat out on the sea in a terrible storm, and tell what happened.

Why did Peter say one day, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God"?

Think of the three disciples on a mountain top; a wonderful light brighter than the sun; and God's voice speaking from a cloud. Tell the story of the transfiguration.

Think of Peter and John going to a town in Samaria to find a place for Jesus to stay that night. Tell how Jesus taught them a lesson in being patient.

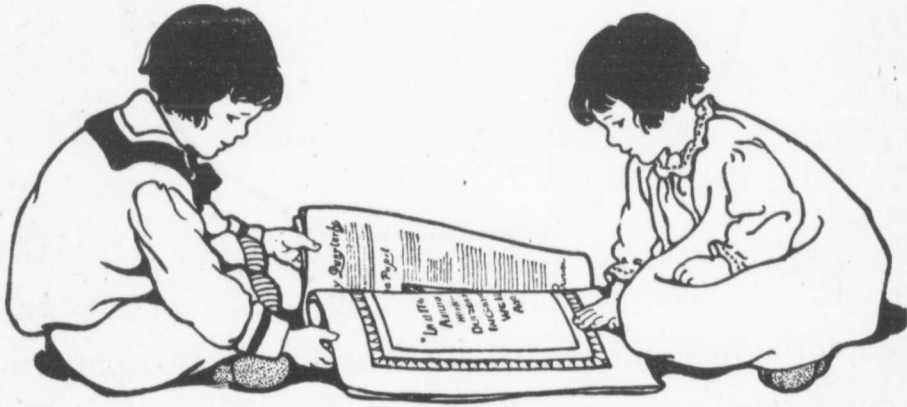
Think of Jesus the King, the Holy Saviour, washing his disciples' feet. Why did he do it?

Think of a beautiful Garden near Jerusalem and tell what happened there.

The next picture is a very sad picture of a tall cross where Jesus died, and where the friends who loved him stood sorrowing near. What loving act did Jesus do for his mother?

Think of a rocky tomb in the side of a hill, and two shining angels who said, "He is risen." Tell of the glad meeting of Jesus and Peter and John.

When Jesus went up to heaven after being with his friends for forty days, what work did he leave for his disciples?



TWO VERSES TO HELP US TO BE TRUE FRIENDS OF JESUS

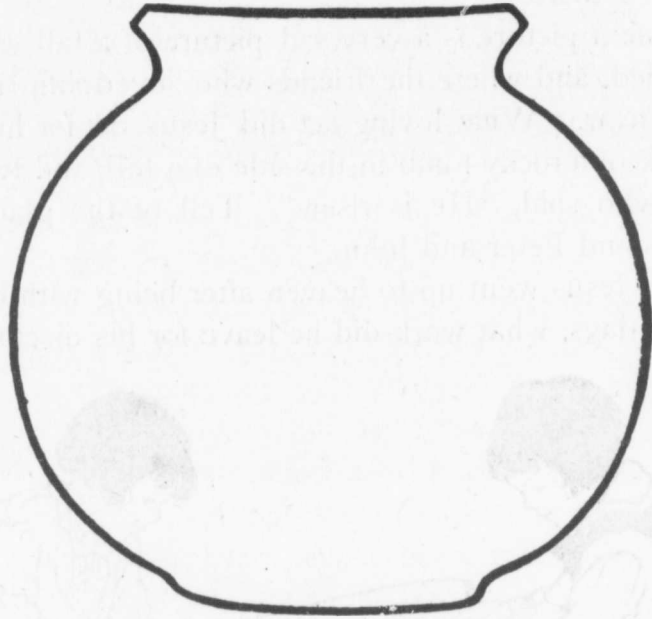
"Ye shall be my witnesses."

—Acts 1: 8.

"Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you."

—John 15: 14.

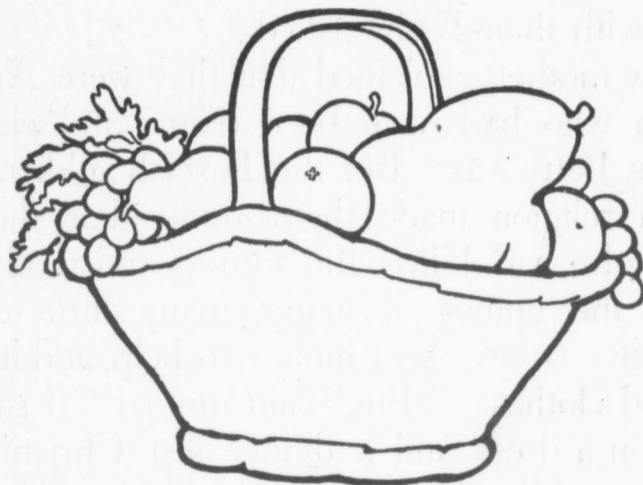
HANDWORK



Put a piece of thin paper over this picture and copy the fish and the bowl. From these two patterns cut a bowl and several fish out of stiff paper. On each fish write the name of some one that you will invite to come to church or Sunday school. When he accepts your invitation and comes to a service,

HANDWORK

paste the fish that has that person's name on it on the bowl. See what a full fish bowl you can have by Christmas. Then take it to your teacher.



Copy this basket as you did the fish bowl, and then color it very carefully with crayons, as you think it ought to be colored. Make the grapes —; the apples —; the pears —.

“All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all his love.”

HANDWORK

THE PAPER CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

Betty had been looking over mother's missionary magazines and there she had seen some pictures of such poor, sad, ragged little children. "What is the matter with them?" she asked.

Then mother explained that they were Armenian children who had once been dainty and clean and sweet as Betty was. But the Turkish soldiers, whose heathen religion made them think that they were doing right, had killed the fathers and mothers and burned the homes of many, many little children. People in Canada sent money to help, and it bought food and clothes. "But," said mother, "if some one gave you a dress and a dinner last Christmas, you would be cold and hungry again before next Christmas, wouldn't you? And that is just what people over here forget. We all gave last Christmas, but until more Armenian boys and girls get old enough to take care of themselves we must keep on helping."

Betty kept thinking about what mother had told her. How dreadful not to have father and mother and her own bed and her dolls and her clothes, and plenty of food! She wanted to help, and she wanted to get other people to help, too.

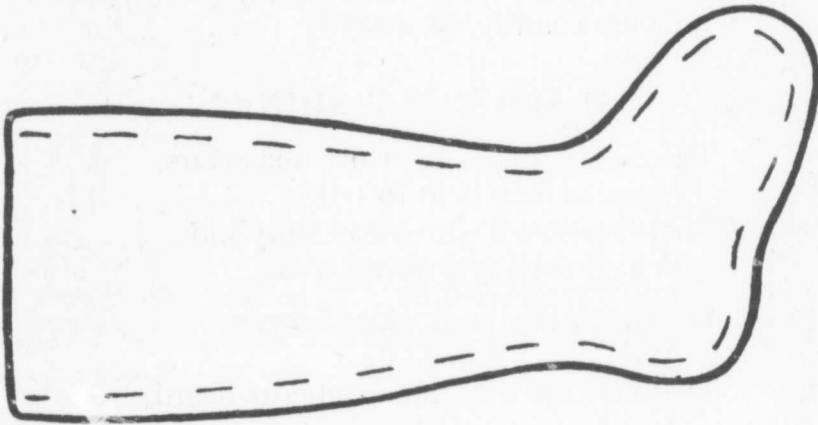
"I wish that I could sew and make them some clothes," she sighed.

HANDWORK

"You might make them some paper Christmas stockings," said mother.

"Paper stockings! Why, mother!" cried Betty.

Then mother explained. She drew a pattern of a stocking like that on this page. Betty brought out a tablet of heavy paper and cut out two stockings from her pattern. With a darning needle she sewed them together, using bright red embroidery thread.



The next week every little girl and boy in the Primary Department made several paper stockings so that there were enough for all of the Beginners and the Cradle Roll babies.

Then how the pennies and nickels and dimes did find their way into those stockings! And how many little Armenian boys and girls were made happy!

Why not try Betty's plan in your Sunday school?



WHEN WE HEAR THE CHRISTMAS BELLS

When our glad bells ring at the Christmas time
To tell of the Christ-child's birth,
No childish ear such notes will hear
In the heathen lands of earth.
So we'll bring our gifts as the Wise Men did
To Jesus, this Christmas Day.
We will share our joy with some girl or boy
In some country far away.

STARS THAT SHINE

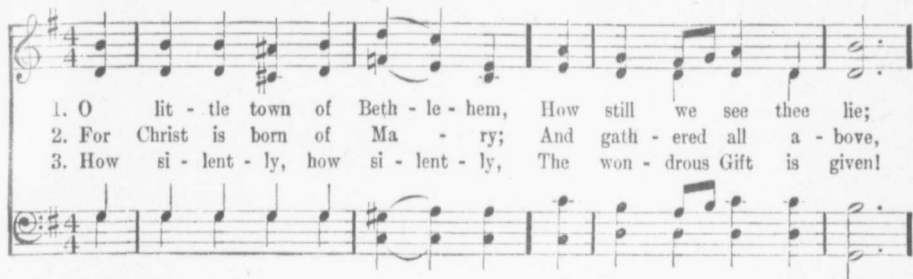
The children love the Christmas stars
Because they help to tell
That first sweet Christmas story old
Which they all love so well.
We watch the quiet, starry sky,
And seem again to hear
The message that the shepherds heard,
And feel the angels near.
And silver offerings that we bring,
Each like a star ray bright,
Will carry to some other child
The blessed Christmas light.



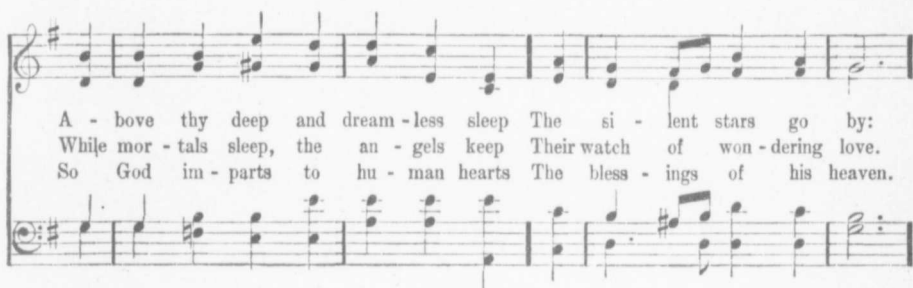
O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Bishop PHILLIPS BROOKS, 1868

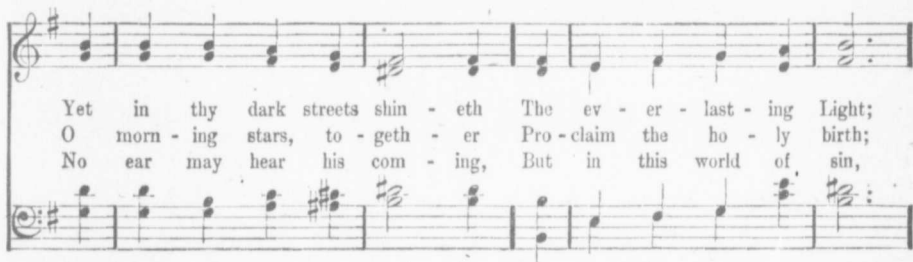
LEWIS H. REDNER, 1868



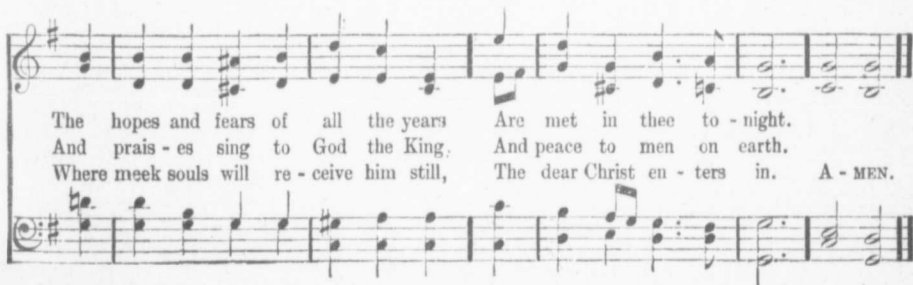
1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie;
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry; And gath - ered all a - bove,
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, The won - drous Gift is given!



A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep The si - lent stars go by:
While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - dering love.
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bless - ings of his heaven.



Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light;
O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth;
No ear may hear his com - ing, But in this world of sin,



The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth.
Where meek souls will re - ceive him still, The dear Christ en - ters in. A - MEN.

From "Alleluia,"

SILENT NIGHT! HOLY NIGHT!

Rev. JOSEPH MOHR, 1818

FRANZ GRUBER, 1818

1. Si - lent night! - Ho - ly night! All is calm,
 2. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Guid - ing star,
 3. Si - lent night! Ho - liest night! Won - drous star,

all is bright Round you vir - gin moth - er and child,
 lend thy light! See the East - ern Wise Men bring
 lend thy light! With the an - gels let us sing

Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly
 Gifts and hom - age to our King! Christ the Sav - iour is
 Al - le - lu - ia to our King! Christ the Sav - iour is

ritentando.

peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 born, Je - sus the Sav - iour is born!
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